Amendments to the Claims:

The following claims will replace all prior versions of the claims in this application (in the unlikely event that no claims follow herein, the previously pending claims will remain):

- 1-18. (Cancelled).
- 19. (Currently Amended) A composition comprising:a metal working fluid comprising an ester represented by the following:

wherein

- X is an <u>a saturated and linear</u> aliphatic hydrocarbyl group having 5-11 <u>7-11</u> carbon atoms;
- Y is an alkylene group having 4-6 carbon atoms;
- Z is an a saturated linear aliphatic hydrocarbyl group having 4 carbon atoms and
- n is a weight average number between 1.5 and 10.
- 20. (Cancelled).
- 21. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 19 wherein the metal working fluid further comprises an oil selected from a mineral oil, a vegetable oil, or an animal oil.
- 22. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 19 wherein the metal working fluid further comprises a surfactant.
- 23. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 19 wherein the metal working fluid further comprises an emulsifier.

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- 24. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 19 wherein the metal working fluid further comprises a corrosion inhibitor.
- 25. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 19 wherein the metal working fluid further comprises water.
- 26. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 19 wherein the metal working fluid further comprises a metal deactivator.
- 27. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 19 wherein the metal working fluid further comprises an anti-foam agent.
- 28. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 19 wherein the metal working fluid further comprises an anti-oxidant.
- 29. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 19 wherein the metal working fluid has a kinematic viscosity at 100°C less than 20mm²/s and a kinematic viscosity at 40°C of less than 150mm²/s.
- 30. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 19, wherein n is a weight average number between 1.5 and 5.
- 31. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 19, wherein X is a saturated and linear aliphatic hydrocarbyl group having 7-9 carbon atoms, and wherein Y is a saturated and branched alkylene group having 4-6 carbon atoms.
- 32. (Currently Amended) A composition comprising:
 a metal working fluid comprising an ester represented by the following:

wherein

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X is an a saturated and linear aliphatic hydrocarbyl group having 5–11 <u>7-11</u> carbon atoms;

Y is an alkylene group having 4-6 carbon atoms;

Z is an a saturated linear aliphatic hydrocarbyl group having 4 carbon atoms and

n is a weight average number between 1.5 and 10; and wherein the ester has a kinematic viscosity less than 150 cst at 40°C.

33. (New) A composition comprising:

a metal working fluid comprising from 5 to 70% by weight calculated on the weight of the metal working fluid of an ester represented by the following:

wherein

X is a saturated and linear aliphatic hydrocarbyl group having 7-11 carbon atoms;

Y is an alkylene group having 4-6 carbon atoms;

Z is an a saturated linear aliphatic hydrocarbyl group having 4 carbon atoms and

n is a weight average number between 1.5 and 10; and a component selected from the group consisting of mineral oils, oils of vegetable, oils of animal, and other synthetic esters.

34. (New) A composition comprising:

a metal working fluid comprising an ester represented by the following:

$$X - C - O - Y - (O - C - Z - C - O - Y)_n - O - C - X$$

wherein

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- X is a saturated and linear aliphatic hydrocarbyl group having 7-11 carbon atoms;
- Y is an alkylene group having 4-6 carbon atoms;
- Z is an a saturated linear aliphatic hydrocarbyl group having 4 carbon atoms and
- n is a weight average number between 1.5 and 10; and water.
- 35. (New) The composition of claim 34, wherein the water is present in the composition in a ratio to metal working fluid between 99:1 and 1:99.
- 36. (New) The composition of claim 34, wherein the water is present in the composition in a ratio to metal working fluid between 20:80 to 2:98.